

# ShakeAlert® Post-Alert Summary

Overview of ShakeAlert Performance

## Earthquake

M 5.1 - 20.6 mi SW of Rio Dell  
ANSS origin (Local): 2020-03-18 15:08:21.0  
ANSS origin (UTC): 2020-03-18 22:08:21.0  
ANSS depth: 28.6 km (17.7 mi)  
ShakeAlert alert (UTC): 2020-03-18 22:08:29.3  
ShakeAlert Event ID: ew5129

## Summary Report

### Speed of Alert:

Initial alert after origin time: 8.3 s  
Final alert update after origin time: 14.8 s

### Magnitude Accuracy:

Initial ShakeAlert: M 4.8  
Final ShakeAlert: M 5.1  
ANSS report: M 5.0

### Distance From Alert to Reviewed Location

Initial alert: 10.6 km (6.6 mi) E  
Final alert: 18.5 km (11.5 mi) NE

### Number of stations reporting

0 within 10 km of epicenter  
7 within 100 km of epicenter  
19 used in final ShakeAlert update

## Performance for Nearby Cities

City	Distance	Warning Time*	MMI*
Rio Dell	33 km (20 mi)	~4 sec	3
Eureka	55 km (34 mi)	~9 sec	3
Fort Bragg	114 km (70 mi)	~24 sec	2
Sacramento	320 km (199 mi)	~82 sec	<2

**Zone Shaken by S-wave Before Alert: 29 km 18 mi**

### Footnotes

- 1) \*MMI -- Modified Mercalli Intensity: a scale to measure ground shaking.
- 2) \*Warning Time -- Time between alert production and arrival of the S-wave at a chosen site.

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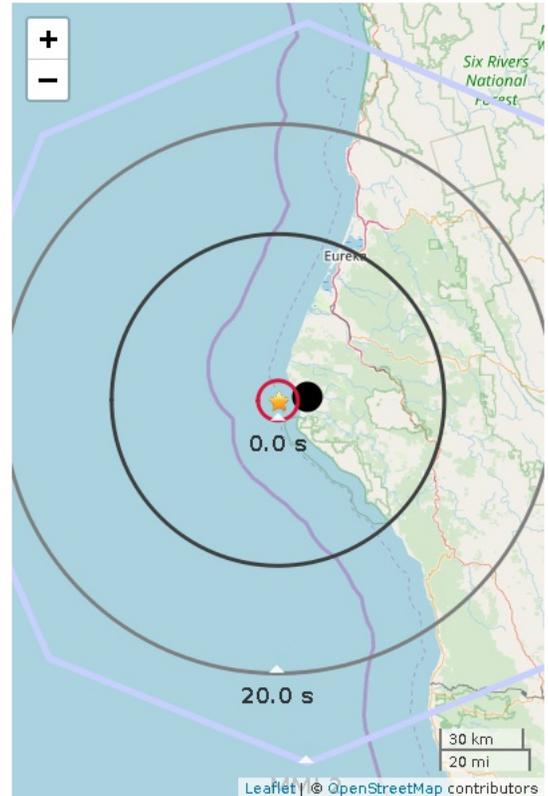


Figure 1. ShakeAlert initial earthquake location (black dot). Star is regional network epicenter. Polygon is the predicted outer range for felt ground motion (MMI 2). Red circle is front of peak shaking when the alert was released. Shaking takes 10 s to expand from circle to circle.

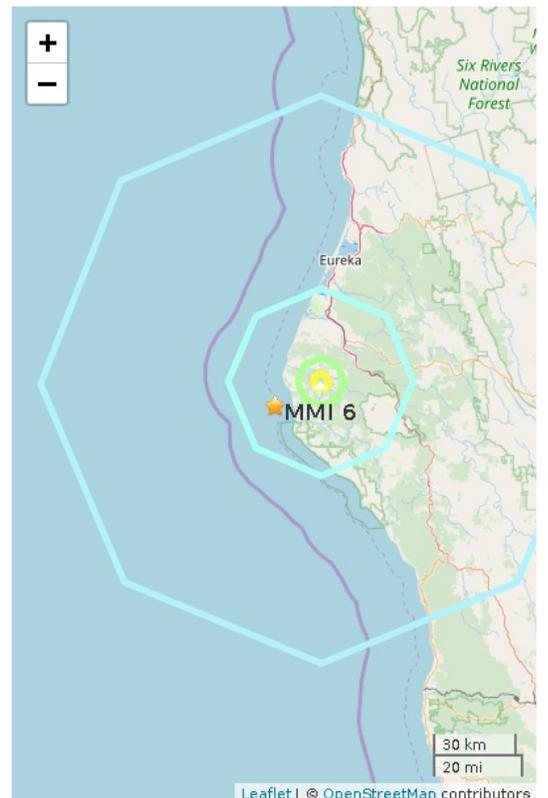


Figure 2. Polygons show shaking intensity contours for the final ShakeAlert. Shaking of intensity 3 or less is often not felt. Star shows the regional network epicenter.

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